

Senate File 573

S-3188

1 Amend Senate File 573 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and  
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. Section 478.6A, subsection 2, Code 2023, is  
5 amended to read as follows:

6 2. Notwithstanding [section 478.21](#), in addition to any  
7 other applicable requirements pursuant to [this chapter](#), if a  
8 petition for a franchise to construct a merchant line that  
9 is proposed to be constructed above ground and involves the  
10 taking of property under eminent domain is not approved by the  
11 board and a franchise granted within three years following the  
12 date the petition is filed with the board pursuant to section  
13 478.3, the board shall reject the petition and make a record  
14 of the rejection. If the hearing on the petition conducted  
15 pursuant to [section 478.4](#) has been held within the three-year  
16 period following the date the petition is filed, but the board  
17 has not completed its deliberations within that three-year  
18 period, the three-year period may be extended by the board to  
19 allow completion of deliberations. A petitioner shall not file  
20 a petition for the same or a similar project that has been  
21 rejected within sixty months following the date of rejection  
22 if the rejection was for failure to be approved within three  
23 years following the date the petition was filed as provided in  
24 this subsection.

25 Sec. 2. RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY. This Act applies  
26 retroactively to a petition for a franchise submitted on or  
27 after September 1, 2020.>

28 2. Title page, line 2, by striking <levee and drainage  
29 districts, and>

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